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DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

November 4 & 5, 2010 Delta Stewardship Council Committee Meeting: Early Actions Review

A committee of the Delta Stewardship Council will review and consider proposed **early actions for possible inclusion in the Interim Plan**. The meeting is open to the public.

Date/Time: Thursday and Friday, Nov. 4-5, 2010 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (Ending time is approximate for both days depending on volume of work.)

Location: The meeting will occur in the Sacramento area, though the exact location has not been finalized. The Delta Stewardship Council website will be updated by November 1, 2010 when the meeting location has been determined.

Call-In: Those who are unable to attend the meeting in person are invited to attend via telephone by calling (916) 574-1399.

Charge: The Council has established a two-member "early actions" committee to review possible early actions and make recommendations to the full Council (Water Code §85210(k)). The committee, made up of Council Chair Phil Isenberg and Council Member Randy Fiorini, with Council Member Felicia Marcus as an alternate.

Application Process: Applications are due by 4:00 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 5, 2010 and can be emailed to interimplan@deltacouncil.ca.gov. If an application is deemed incomplete, the item will be removed from the agenda and may be rescheduled at the discretion of the council committee. To promote efficient review of potential early actions, project proponents must submit materials electronically and deliver ten (10) hard copies to the Council offices, **attention Kevan Samsam**. Applications and related materials will be posted to the Council website.

Each application will be reviewed by Council staff or consultants in advance of the committee meeting. Each application will also be reviewed by the Delta Science Program staff to identify the adequacy of scientific information available to support a committee recommendation and Council action using the standard of "best available science" required in statute and specified in the Interim Plan. If they judge the available scientific information inadequate, they may make a recommendation for any needed additional scientific information. The committee will consider the Delta Science Program staff comments in making its recommendation to the full Council.

"Coequal goals" means the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The coequal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place."

– CA Water Code §85054

Who May Apply: Any responsible agency or proponent with an action, project or program that should be addressed by the Council before the Delta Plan is adopted by January 1, 2012.

Public Comments: Public comments on the applications are invited following the schedule outlined above. They should be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 2, 2010 to interimplan@deltacouncil.ca.gov.

Committee Recommendation Process: The committee will make recommendations on possible early actions to the full Council in a brief report.

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